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MOTION BY SUPERVISORS HILDA L. SOLIS AND
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MOTION TO SUPPORT PARTNERSHIP PILOT PROGRAM APPLICATION

The U.S. Department of Education has established the Partnership Pilot Program for Disconnected Youth (P3) as an interagency initiative to improve outcomes for the more than 5 million estimated 14- to 24-year-olds in the United States who are not working or in school and who, in many cases, face additional challenges associated with coming from low-income or foster backgrounds or being homeless. In the County of Los Angeles, it is estimated there are 200,000 of these youth, including 100,000 in the City of Los Angeles. P3 is intended to offer opportunities to test innovative and cost-effective strategies to assist these youths while enabling the use of discretionary funds from multiple Federal and local programs.

To maximize the effectiveness and positive outcomes of a locally based P3 effort will require joint planning by County departments as well as the City of Los Angeles and key education partners. The P3 initiative provides a small planning grant to be utilized for the initial management by the City and the Los Angeles Unified School District, with evaluation by California State University, Northridge. There will be no fiscal impact for Board support of P3.

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The County Board of Supervisors has long supported collaboration and initiatives to improve outcomes for Los Angeles County youth. Several County Departments, including DCSS, County Workforce Investment Board, Probation, DPSS, DCFS, DMH, LACOE and department of Health Services all provide services to this population. In addition, many of these youth are served by LAUSD and other city or community-based programs.

The application for this initiative will allow for strategic planning, system improvement and coordination to increase the educational and employment outcomes for the region's most vulnerable youth.

I, THEREFORE MOVE that the Board of Supervisors:

1. Support the Partnership Pilot Program application among the City and County of Los Angeles, LAUSD, LA Community College District and California State University system and other youth serving organizations.
2. Direct the listed Departments to participate in the partnership for disconnected youth and report back to the Board quarterly including a timeline by DCSS on plans to align Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act youth services that will be dedicated to out of school youth as of July 2015.

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